Appendix D

Lesson Suggestions

YLI has created several lesson plans specifically for the Nevada elections; however they also have hundreds of other lesson plans related to various topics on elections. You can search by topic or grade level using the word clouds at the top of their lesson plans page

High School (116) Middle School (88) Elementary School (25) Home School (11) College/Adult (9) Civic Education Skills (41) The Political Process (38) Foundations of American Government (27) The Constitution (21) Political Beliefs and Behaviors (19) Mock Election (19) Democracy Corps (17) Congress and the Legislative Process (16) The Presidency (15) NIE:VPA: Teachable Moments (9) Constitutional Referenda (7) A Call to Action (6) A More Perfect Union (6) Talking Turkey: Dinner Table Discussions (6) Facing Up to Issues in Politics: YLI & Public Agenda (3) Newspapers in Education (2)

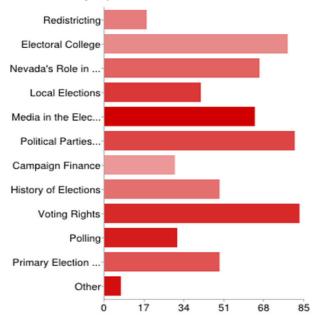
You can also do your own search to find the topic you are looking for. There are several lesson plans written specifically for Nevada's 2012 races.



Also for up to date information, discussion topics and election predictions (including Nevada predictions), teachers might be interested in signing up for Larry Sabato's Crystal Ball (that's the guy that wrote a lot of the Government textbooks), he works with the Center for Politics which is housed in the University of Virginia and includes YLI under its umbrella.

In a survey of Nevada Social Studies teachers taken in May of 2012, the following chart reflects what teachers around Nevada will be focusing on in this election.

What areas do you plan to focus on for the 2012 Election



Redistricting	18	15%
Electoral College	78	64%
Nevada's Role in the Presidential Election	66	54%
Local Elections	41	34%
Media in the Election	64	52%
Political Parties/Ideologies	81	66%
Campaign Finance	30	25%
History of Elections	49	40%
Voting Rights	83	68%
Polling	31	25%
Primary Election Process	49	40%
Other	7	6%

People may select more than one checkbox, so percentages may add up to more than 100%.